

TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW 60 CENTER SQUARE EAST LONGMEADOW, MA 01028

Press Release

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To All East Longmeadow Residents, Businesses and Media outlets:

I am very pleased to announce that the Town of East Longmeadow has chosen Deputy Chief Mark A. Williams to become the Town's Police Chief effective January 19, 2021. Chief Williams has been employed as a Police professional for 24 years, 21 of which have been with the Greenfield Police Department. He has been the Deputy Chief in Greenfield since 2014 and has broad experience in all aspects of police work, including administrative and supervisory responsibilities as well as patrol and detective bureau duties.

Chief Williams has served as the liaison between the Greenfield Police Department and many local social service agencies, including those addressing domestic violence, homelessness and substance use throughout the course of his career.

He has also served as an Instructor at the Municipal Police Training Academy in Springfield for 12 years and has piloted and implemented various Crisis Intervention Team programs as well as working with the Franklin County Opioid Task Force in an effort to better serve those with issues surrounding addiction.

Chief Williams will succeed Chief Jeffrey Dalessio who has planned to retire on January 15, 2021 after 40 years of service to the Town of East Longmeadow. I am truly appreciative and grateful to Chief Dalessio for his dedicated service to the Town of East Longmeadow and wish him a long, healthy and happy retirement.

Town Manager